

## MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

**Tuesday, June 20, 2006                      3:25 p.m.                      Room 426 State Capitol Building, Lansing**

Representative Nitz, Chair, called the meeting to order.

**MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune, Mayes, Spade, Kathleen Law, Sheltroun. (11/11)**

Representative Stahl made a motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting of June 13, 2006, supported by Representative Proos. No objections being offered, a unanimous ballot was cast to accept the minutes as presented.

The Chair laid HB 5711, HB 5712, HB 5713, HB 5714, HB 5715, HB 5716, HB 6219 and HB 6220 before the Committee.

HB 5711	Proos	Environmental protection; other; presumption of compliance with environmental law; provide for farm participating in MAEAP program.
HB 5712	Booher	Agriculture; other; authority for permitting livestock facilities; revise.
HB 5713	Mortimer	Environmental protection; other; booklet regarding on-farm fuel storage; require department of environmental quality to publish.
HB 5714	Stahl	Environmental protection; other; complainant's name to be given when filing a complaint concerning a farm with the department of environmental quality; require.
HB 5715	Nitz	Environmental protection; water pollution; clean water fund nonpoint source program; designate department of agriculture to oversee.
HB 5716	Pavlov	Environmental protection; water pollution; clean water assistance nonpoint source programs; designate department of agriculture to oversee.
HB 6219	Palmer	Environmental protection; other; exemption from NPDES permit requirements; codify for farms participating in MAEAP process.

HB 6220 Palmer Environmental protection; water pollution; criteria for expenditure of money from the clean water fund; modify.

The following individuals spoke to the Committee regarding HB 5711-HB 5716:

Ron Nelson, representing the Michigan Farm Bureau, in support of the concept of the bills

Anne Woiwode, representing the Sierra Club, in opposition

James Clift, representing the Michigan Environmental Council, in opposition

Skip Pruss, Deputy Director of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), and Keith Creagh, Deputy Director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA), discussed concerns with Committee members.

Cards indicating support for HB 5711-5716 were submitted by:

Charles Courtade, representing the Dairy Farmers of America

Sheila Burkhardt, representing the Michigan Milk Producers Association

Tom Frazier, representing the Michigan Townships Association, submitted a card indicating opposition to HB 5711 and HB 5712 and HB 6220.

Representative Spade made a motion to table HB 5711, HB 5712, HB 5713, HB 5714, HB 5715, HB 5716, HB 6219 and HB 6220. Due to lack of support, Chair Nitz stated that the motion did not prevail.

Representative Proos made a motion to adopt HB 5711 (H-6), supported by Representative Ball.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune, Mayes, Spade, Kathleen Law, Sheltrown. (11/11)**

**Nays: None. (0/11)**

**Pass: None. (0/11) (11/0/0)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Stahl made a motion to report HB 5711 (H-6) with recommendation, supported by Representative Hune.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune. (7/11)**

**Nays: Representatives Mayes, Kathleen Law. (2/11)**

**Pass: Representatives Spade, Sheltrown. (2/11) (7/2/2)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Casperson made a motion to adopt HB 5712 (H-4), supported by Representative Proos.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune, Mayes, Spade, Kathleen Law, Sheltroun. (11/11)**

**Nays: None. (0/11)**

**Pass: None. (0/11) (11/0/0)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Newell made a motion to report HB 5712 (H-4) with recommendation, supported by Representative Stahl.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune. (7/11)**

**Nays: Representatives Mayes, Kathleen Law, Sheltroun. (3/11)**

**Pass: Representative Spade. (1/11) (7/3/1)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Ball made a motion to adopt HB 5713 (H-4), supported by Representative Casperson.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune, Mayes, Spade, Kathleen Law, Sheltroun. (11/11)**

**Nays: None. (0/11)**

**Pass: None. (0/11) (11/0/0)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Hune made a motion to report HB 5713 (H-4) with recommendation, supported by Representative Newell.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune, Mayes, Spade, Kathleen Law, Sheltroun. (11/11)**

**Nays: None. (0/11)**

**Pass: None. (0/11) (11/0/0)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Proos made a motion to adopt HB 5714 (H-5), supported by Representative Stahl.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune, Mayes, Spade, Kathleen Law, Sheltroun. (11/11)**

**Nays: None. (0/11)**

**Pass: None. (0/11) (11/0/0)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Stahl made a motion to report HB 5714 (H-5) with recommendation, supported by Representative Casperson.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune, Mayes, Spade, Sheltroun. (10/11)**

**Nays: Representative Kathleen Law. (1/11)**

**Pass: None. (0/11) (10/1/0)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Casperson made a motion to adopt HB 5715 (H-1), supported by Representative Newell.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune, Mayes, Kathleen Law, Sheltroun. (10/11)**

**Nays: None. (0/11)**

**Pass: Representative Spade. (1/11) (10/0/1)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Newell made a motion to report HB 5715 (H-1) with recommendation, supported by Representative Ball.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune. (7/11)**

**Nays: Representative Kathleen Law. (1/11)**

**Pass: Representatives Mayes, Spade, Sheltroun. (3/11) (7/1/3)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Ball made a motion to adopt HB 5716 (H-1), supported by Representative Hune.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune, Mayes, Spade, Kathleen Law, Sheltroun. (11/11)**

**Nays: None. (0/11)**

**Pass: None. (0/11) (11/0/0)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Hune made a motion to report HB 5716 (H-1) with recommendation, supported by Representative Stahl.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune. (7/11)**

**Nays: None. (0/11)**

**Pass: Representatives Mayes, Spade, Kathleen Law, Sheltroun. (4/11) (7/0/4)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Casperson made a motion to adopt HB 6219 (H-2), supported by Representative Newell.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune, Mayes, Spade, Kathleen Law, Sheltroun. (11/11)**

**Nays: None. (0/11)**

**Pass: None. (0/11) (11/0/0)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Ball made a motion to report HB 6219 (H-2) with recommendation, supported by Representative Hune.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune. (7/11)**

**Nays: None. (0/11)**

**Pass: Representatives Mayes, Spade, Kathleen Law, Sheltroun. (4/11) (7/0/4)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Newell made a motion to report HB 6220 with recommendation, supported by Representative Proos.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune. (7/11)**

**Nays: None. (0/11)**

**Pass: Representatives Mayes, Spade, Kathleen Law, Sheltroun. (4/11) (7/0/4)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

There being no additional business before the Committee, Chair Nitz declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 4:35 p.m.

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Representative Neal Nitz, Chair

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